

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Robert Charles Lewis DAY et al

Appln. No.: 08/935,865

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For

: TAPE PRINTING APPARATUS

) Art Unit: 2861

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendment to the claims and remarks are submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116 in a bona fide effort to place this application in condition for allowance.

AMENDMENTS

N THE CLAIMS:

thereof.

Please cancel claim 31 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter

Please amend claims 32, 34 and 36 as follows:

32. (Amended) A cassette for use in a printing apparatus comprising a housing in which a reel holding a supply of ink ribbon is arranged, said reel being rotatable with respect to said housing and having a plurality of markings thereon, said housing being arranged so that said markings are detectable by detecting means external to said cassette to provide information